

METROPOLITAN WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

December Meeting Summary

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

Start 10:00 a.m.
Adjourned 11:52 a.m

1. MWWPAAC Chair's Report – John McClellan

- Welcome and Introductions
- Determine Quorum
- Approval of October Meeting Summary (action item)
- Regional Water Quality Committee (RWQC) Update
- Call for Nominating Committee and Announcement of January 28, 2026, Elections: MWWPAAC Chair and Chair of the Rates and Finance Subcommittee

Chair John McClellan welcomed members to the meeting.

A quorum was in attendance, and the October meeting summary was approved as written by voice vote.

Chair McClellan reported on the December 3 RWQC meeting. The following briefings were provided:

- Budget Update: Wastewater Treatment Division's 2026-2027 Adopted Biennial Budget
- Regional Wastewater Services Plan Policy Framework
- Update on Motion 16900: a motion requesting the Wastewater Treatment Division implement a sewer rate and capital work plan to continue to improve engagement, transparency, and accountability.

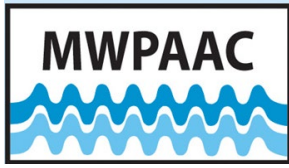
Chair McClellan reminded members of the upcoming January 28, 2026, elections for MWWPAAC Chair and Chair of the Rates and Finance Subcommittee. He announced that Maria Coe, MWWPAAC Vice Chair, will chair the Nominating Committee. The Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD) will send out a reminder email to members informing them of the process to serve on the Nominating Committee or submit their name for either of the positions.

2. Wastewater Treatment Division Director's Report – Kamuron Gurol, Division Director, Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD)

Kamuron Gurol, WTD Director, reported the KC Council passed the budget. The budget is based on the already approved 2026 sewer rate. WTD has several things to do related to budget provisos. Motion 16900, also adopted in November, includes a sewer rate and capital work plan based on the Executive's response to the sewer rate letters. WTD will be reporting on those items throughout the year.

Kamuron reported on one leadership staffing change. Chief Financial Officer Courtney Black decided to return to the private sector. WTD is currently working to fill the position and will be posting it soon. MWWPAAC members will be seeing more of Caitlyn Hall, Interim Chief Financial

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Officer, and Luke Slaughterbeck, Rates and Financial Planning Senior Analyst, as they help to fill the role during the vacancy.

Kamuron presented a slide deck of photos that highlighted some WTD projects including the M Street Trunk Rehabilitation, Loop Biosolids Compost Pilot, and a few West Point Treatment Plant Projects.

Kamuron reported on the Regional Utility Rate Summit held on November 14, 2025, and welcomed others that participated to provide comment.

3. Subcommittee Reports

November 6, 2025, Rates and Finance Subcommittee

- Capacity Charge Updated Methodology Preliminary Results

November 6, 2025, Comprehensive Engineering and Planning Subcommittee

- Elliott West Briefing
- Regional Wastewater Services Plan (RWSP) Update

December 4, 2025, Rates and Finance Subcommittee

- Sewer Rate Predictability – Early Options
- Capital Budget Recap and Upcoming Sewer Rate Schedule

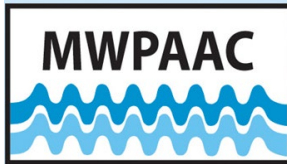
December 4, 2025, Comprehensive Engineering and Planning Subcommittee

- I/I Reduction Plan Update and Pairwise Comparison Activity
- Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP) Update

4. Regional Wastewater Services Plan (RWSP) Module #1 Topic 4: Pollution Prevention Draft Actions, Darren Greve, Government Relations, WTD; Janice Johnson, RWSP Update Program Manager, WTD; Erika Kinno, Environmental Program Managing Supervisor, WTD; Debra Willison, Water Quality Planner/Program Manager IV; Jeff Stern, Wastewater Capital Project Manager IV, WTD; Analise Lindborg, Water Quality Planner/Project Manager II, WTD; and Biniam Zelelow, Environmental Program Managing Supervisor, WTD, and Leslie Webster, City of Seattle

Darren Greve, WTD Government Relations, introduced the topic of Pollution Prevention Draft Actions and recognized the RWSP work group members. There are seven members: Eric LaFrance, City of Bellevue; Jay Krauss, Sammamish Plateau Water; Crystal Wooldridge, Woodinville Water District; John McClellan, MWPAAC Chair; Amy Tsai, City of Redmond; Carly Joerger, City of Kirkland; and Laura Belmont, Sound Cities Association, and Leslie Webster, City of Seattle. The work group helped to develop the actions. Darren thanked work group members for dedicating their time and helping WTD in partnership. Darren reviewed the categories of

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Capital Investment, noting today's presentation represents number four of the eight categories. Darren also shared that Sam Supowit, City of Shoreline and Jacklyn Knoth, Chair of Comprehensive Engineering and Planning Subcommittee are helping to work through Asset Renewal & Replacement (R&R). WTD will be coming back to MWWPAAC in Q1 2026 for an Asset R&R briefing. Today's presentation is focused on pollution.

Darren reported that RWQC is very keen on a set of policy analyses in a scoping document that is helping to frame the RWSP update. There will be a very intentional effort going forward to develop a set of policy options with policy questions. The actions the pollution team will talk about today nest underneath the policy questions. Options are the goal, and actions are the 'what' the utility would do to achieve the goal. Importantly, the actions are what WTD would use to calculate costs. WTD needs to identify actions to put dollar signs to the cost.

Leslie Webster, City of Seattle, co-presented the sets of actions today and introduced WTD presenters.

The full presentation can be found [here](#). The presentation included the following topics:

- Scope of the Pollution Topic
- Policy Overview: Legacy Pollution
 - Legacy Pollution: Options and Actions
- Policy Overview: Conveyance (Pollution Source Control)
 - Conveyance (Pollution Source Control): Options and Actions
- Policy Overview: Industrial Waste (Pollution Source Control)
 - Industrial Waste (Pollution Source Control): Options and Actions
- Policy Overview: Education (Pollution Source Control)
 - Education (Pollution Source Control): Options and Actions
- Policy Overview: Facilities and Procurement (Pollution Source Control)
 - Facilities and Procurement (Pollution Source Control): Options and Actions
- Policy Overview: Additional Upstream (Pollution Source Control)
 - Additional Upstream (Pollution Source Control): Options and Actions

Darren thanked the pollution team for their presentation, Leslie and the other work group members. Darren reviewed the upcoming presentation schedule for 2026.

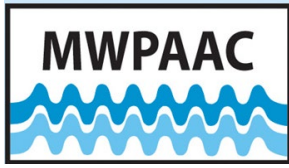
5. Nutrients Update, Jacque Klug, Nutrient Management Coordinator, WTD

Jacque Klug, Nutrient Management Coordinator, provided an update on Nutrients. The full presentation can be found [here](#).

The update included the following items:

- Regulatory Update
- Legal Update

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- Marine Science Research

Kamuron thanked Jacque for her great work on Nutrients. He also noted the Cities of Tacoma, Bellingham, and Everett have been great partners. He's also been staying in touch with a peer network regarding nutrients. WTD will be taking action to take care of ratepayers and Puget Sound. WTD is also working on affordability and costs for Nutrients can be enormously expensive. As WTD goes into the 2027 rate process, a focus will be to shine a light on investments that will be needed for Nutrients. WTD will have some form of regulation and getting ahead of those regulations may be beneficial.

6. General Announcements

The next meeting for MWWPAAC is a joint subcommittee on January 8, 2026.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

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